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In re Application of

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

PETITION

Applicants hereby petition for a 1-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the final Office Action of August 4, 2009. Please charge amount of \$130 in payment of the government fee for a 1-month extension of time to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412 so that the period for response is extended to November 20, 2009. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 4, 2009 and the Advisory Action dated October 21, 2009, and filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.